

REMARKS

This is responsive to the Office Action mailed on March 28, 2006. In that Office Action, claims 36-44 and 51-55 have been allowed while previously allowed claims 21-27 were rejected.

The claims were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 112 alleging that the preamble of claim 21 recites "preserving mucosa tissue", whereas the body of the claim recites hydrolyzing mucosa tissue. Claim 21 has been amended to delete the recitation of hydrolyzing the mucosa tissue. In view of the above, it is requested that claims 21-27 be allowed once again.

The Director is authorized to charge any fee deficiency required by this paper or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 23-1123.

Respectfully submitted,

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